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RURAL ROADS UNDER RIDF
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a separate window for rural roads under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) has been opened in the year 2006-07;

(b) if so, the details of the amount allocated and utilised thereunder during 2006-07 and the achievements made in regard to rural roads, State-wise; and

(c) the amount allocated for rural roads under RIDF for the year 2007-08 and the achievements proposed to be made in development of rural roads, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAANTA PATIL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 4000 crore has been sanctioned by NABARD under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for financing rural roads under Bharat Nirman. However, funds can be drawn against this sanction order only after the Central Road Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2006, which has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 18.12.2006, is passed and made effective.

(c) During 2007-08, Rs. 4500 crore will be available under RIDF for construction of rural roads under Bharat Nirman. A statement indicating State-wise targets under Bharat Nirman for 2007-08 is annexed.